

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Doug MERCIER et al.

Group Art Unit: 3727

Application No.: 10/075,451

J. Merek

Filed: February 15, 2002

Docket No.:

Examiner:

111942

For:

**NESTING CONTAINERS AND LIDS** 

## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 16, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace paragraph [0007] as follows:

[0007] The attachment mechanisms may include a plurality of attachment projections.

The attachment projections of the lid may be angled toward the attachment portions of the container to provide a reliable engagement between the attachment projections of the lid and the attachment projections of the container.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 5-7, 11-12 and 14-18 as follows:

(Amended) A container and lid combination, comprising: 1.

a container including:

a bottom surface,

an opening,